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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Re: U.S. Utility Patent Application No. 10/767,795
Filed: January 29, 2004
For: Nucleic acid Molecules and Other Molecules Associated with Plants and
Uses Thereof for Plant Improvement
Inventors: David K. Kovalic *et al.*
Atty. Docket: 38-21(53534)B

Sir:

Transmitted herewith for appropriate action by the U.S. Patent and Trademark
Office (USPTO) are the following documents:

1. Response to Restriction Requirement dated 11/29/05 from PTO;
2. Certificate of mailing for response to restriction requirement action;
3. Petition for extension of time (1 month); SB/22 form;
4. (1) Return receipt-postcard.

It is respectfully requested that the attached postcard be stamped with the date of
Filing of these documents, and that it be returned to us. In the event that extensions of time or
fees are necessary to prevent abandonment of this application, then such extensions of time or
fees are hereby petitioned.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fee deficiency, or credit any
overpayment, to our Deposit Account No. 13-4125, referencing matter number 38-21(53534)B.

Respectfully submitted,


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